



# *While Apart*

**DAT'S 2020  
VIRTUAL SUMMER  
PROGRAM**



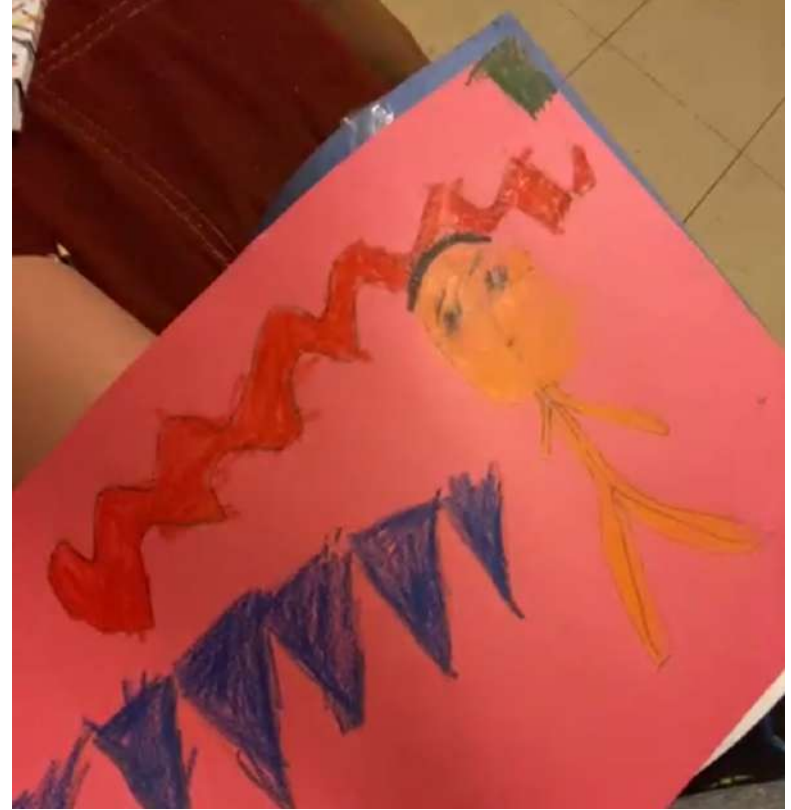
# ART IN CONTEXT

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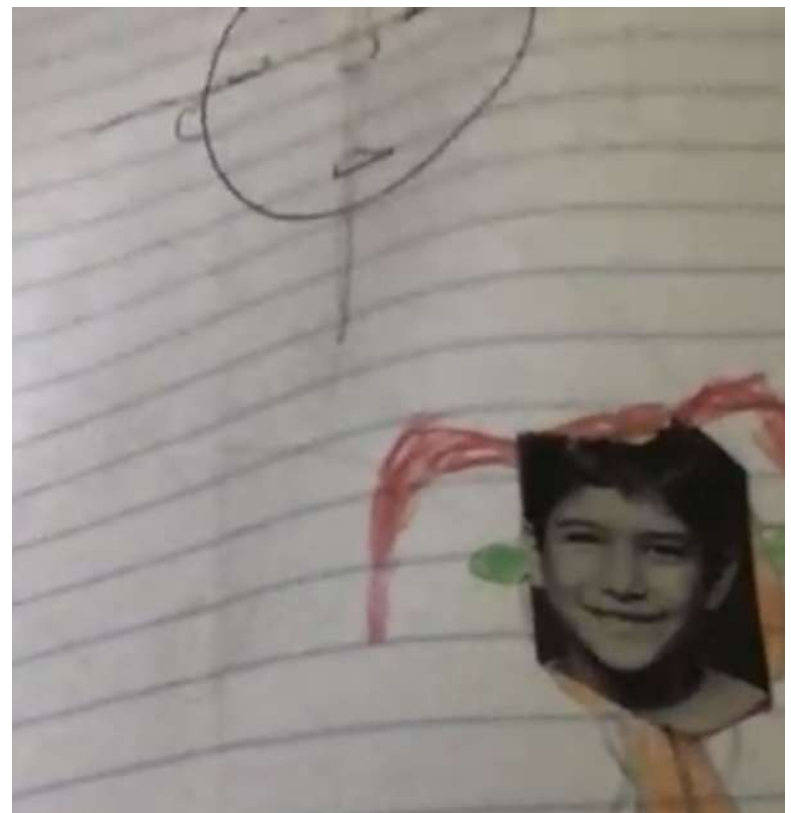
In DAT's summer distance-learning program, students at P.S. 125 learned about the legacy of American painter, **Jacob Lawrence**, and his portrayal of African-American life, as inspiration for them to create their own family portraits.

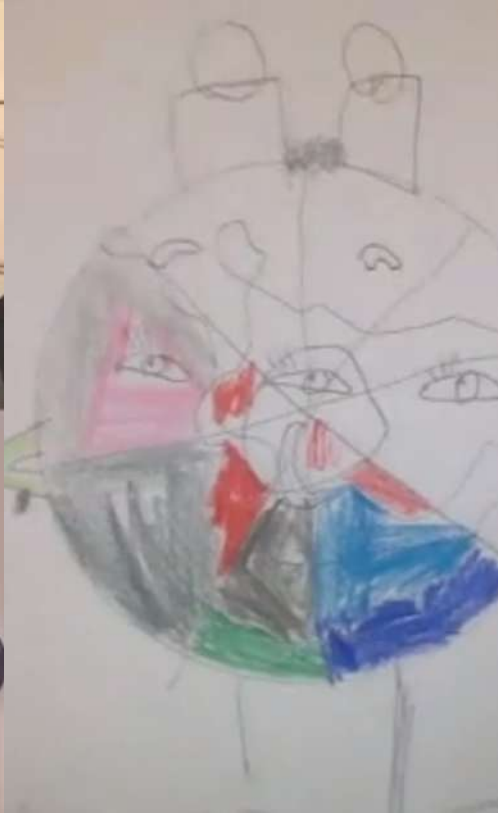
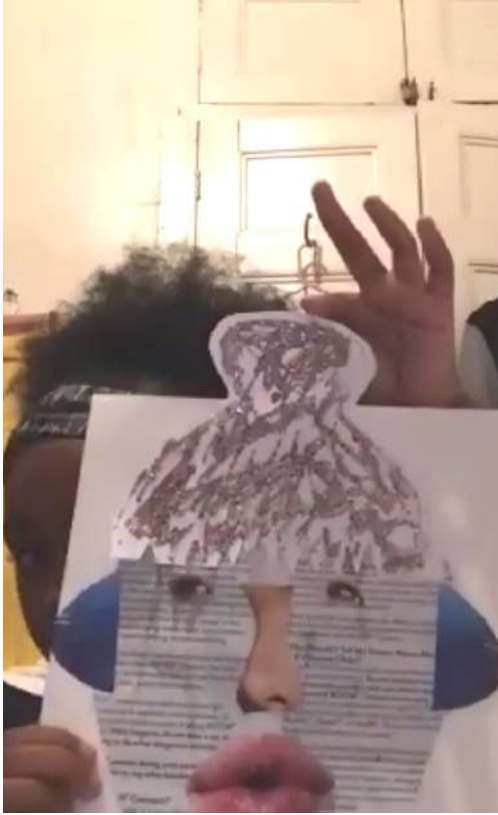
Classroom teacher, Ms. Rojas, and even the Dean of Development, Mr. Batista, also joined students and teaching artist, Arturo Garcia, in doing art together!





Working alongside DAT teaching artist, Rute Ventura, and inspired by the paintings, quilts, and illustrations of **Faith Ringgold**, students created their own family portraits by drawing and collaging.





# PICASSO PORTRAITURE



Whether they used their scissors or pencils to draw, students were able to create entirely unique portraits inspired by the art of **Pablo Picasso**.

# Ordinary Materials, Extraordinary Results



Because the supplies students had access to were limited, we carefully planned curricula for

DAT's distance learning program to utilize materials frequently found at home, along with found and recycled objects students might

incorporate. Through these projects, students discovered how Q-tips could become paint brushes, and learned how to create their own paints from food coloring, and **homemade** clay by combining basic kitchen ingredients.



**Thank you  
to our *teaching artists*  
and *staff!***



- Electra Askitopoulos-Friedman
- Arturo Garcia
- Rute da Silva
- Tishawn Gonsalves
- Anais Sierra
- Julia Bulakh
- Sophia Friedman-Pappas
- Ny Chhorm
- Paul Deo Lowther
- Birgit Pohl-Wolfe
- Alex Naase

All curricula for DAT's virtual art workshops were developed with the challenges of distance learning in mind, and with the intention of engaging students, as well as their siblings and caretakers, in the learning process. DAT's mission, however, remains the same: to open children's minds to the wonders of art. That is why DAT is committed to focusing on children who have been disconnected and isolated from their school environments due to the COVID-19 crisis, and to provide them with much-needed art education in their homes.